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Thursday, March 2, 1995

Senate approves axing of Regents

Erin P. Billings
Kaimin Legislative Reporter

HELENA — Lawmakers shot another bullet into the heart of current university decision-making Wednesday when the Senate voted 29-20 to eliminate the Board of Regents.

The measure would give the Legislature the authority to replace the regents and Commissioner of Higher Education with a director of education and an eight-member advisory board appointed by and accountable to the governor.

But the battle over Rep. Sonny Hanson's House Bill 229 isn't over yet. Now, 71 House lawmakers must reconsider the Billings Republican's measure because senators passed a different version than representatives.

Because the measure would amend the constitution, it needs approval from at least 100 lawmakers, Gov. Marc Racicot and the majority of Montana's voters. Last month, the House voted 67-33 in favor of the measure.

Supporters of the measure said the new department of education would make the university system more efficient and as accountable to the public and the Legislature as other state agencies.

"They have no one they have to answer to — not the people, not to us. They answer to no one," said Sen. Loren

Jenkins, R-Big Sandy.

The Regents and Commissioner of Higher Education were established under the 1972 constitution as an independent body with members serving seven-year terms. The governor appoints members to the Board of Regents, and it selects the commissioner.

Foes said the measure would give the governor too much authority over higher education — making the board subject to changing political winds.

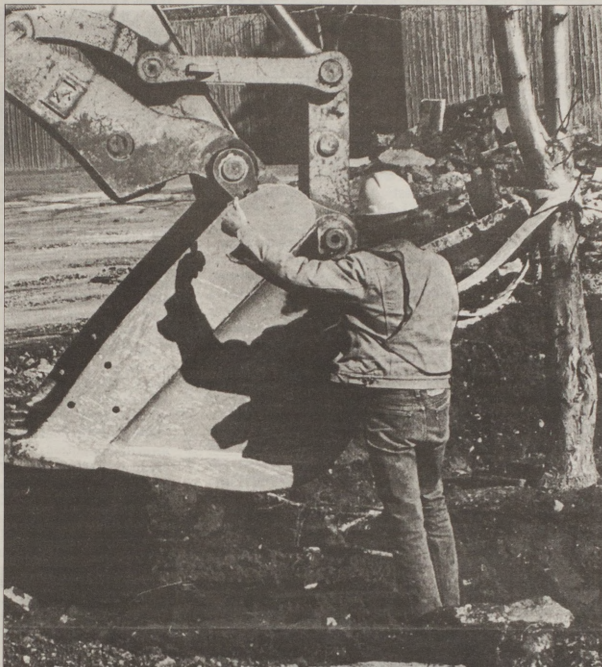
"(The measure) will have a chilling effect on the exercise of free speech in the academic setting," said Sen. Fred Van Valkenburg, D-Missoula.

Sen. Al Crippen, one of two Republicans voting against the bill, warned senators not to make too many sweeping changes this session, adding that the measure is an attempt by lawmakers to gain power over the university system.

"Control is something we sort of like to have," the Billings Republican said. "But I would caution us a little bit that we don't go too far too fast."

But Senate President Bob Brown rejected Crippen's argument, saying the regents have the "broadest, most sweeping autonomy" to raise tuition and spend student dollars without approval. Lawmakers should give voters the choice on whether to abolish it, he said.

It's outta there ...



Jeffrey Gardner for the Kaimin

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS prepare to yank a tree from the parking lot east of the Mansfield Library Wednesday afternoon. Work began this week to turn the parking lot into a single level parking deck.

Kaimin fee vote hits table again

Tom Lutey
of the Kaimin

The ASUM Senate Wednesday put off voting on a proposed \$3 student-newspaper fee until next week so the issue could be further researched.

The fee, which would remove \$3 from the \$28 student activity fee and set it aside for the Montana Kaimin, was suggested as a buffer between the Kaimin and student-body politics. The Senate currently doles out bucks to the Kaimin and over 100 other student groups each year.

Kyle Wood, Kaimin editor, along with members of the Senate, is arguing that the paper risks funding cuts from senators disgruntled by Kaimin coverage of ASUM. Wood also argues that the newspaper

might try to soft-pedal student news to avoid retaliation. Sen. Dana Shonk, while questioning the need for further research of the fee, said the Senate-Kaimin relationship should be discussed.

"The relationship between the Kaimin and the Senate is more political than with any other student group on campus," Shonk said. "And I think that's what we should focus our debate on."

However, Vice President Renee Hilburn said she's getting negative comments about a pro-fee editorial by Wood in Wednesday's Kaimin.

"Two students I've never seen before walked into my office today with Kyle Wood's editorial and said, 'No way.'"

Sen. Melanie Kovarik said she's also received feedback

against the fee.

Also at the meeting, a resolution that could have forced the impeachment of Sen. Niles Brush was withdrawn by Sen. Derrick Swift-Eagle. Swift-Eagle's resolution called for the impeachment of senators with more than three Senate meeting absences. Brush has missed four regular Senate meetings. He was also forced to step down as chairman of the ASUM Affairs Committee.

Also, 58 pay-parking spaces located east of the University Center have been changed to decal parking spots to compensate for spaces lost to construction of a parking garage east of the library. ASUM matched the UM administration's \$1,867.57 to reserve the spaces in which students are normally charged 50 cents an hour to park.

Students face prison on drug charges

Kevin Crough and
Steven Lympos
of the Kaimin

Prosecutors Wednesday charged two Jesse Hall roommates with a total of four felonies and three misdemeanors in Missoula County Justice Court after police found marijuana and drug paraphernalia in their room last weekend.

Bryan Pink, 19, a freshman in pre-med from Minnesota, and Ryan Weglage, 19, freshman in forestry from Massachusetts, appeared before Judge John Odlin Wednesday after Campus Security arrested them early Sunday morning. UM Police Sgt. Dick Thurman said.

Pink was charged with two felony counts of selling marijuana and one felony count of growing marijuana. He was also charged with one misdemeanor count of possession and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

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According to the charges presented Wednesday, Pink sold marijuana to "confidential informants" from the Montana Narcotics Investigation Bureau on Jan. 11 and 13.

Weglage faces one felony count of growing marijuana and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Court records say police were tipped by an anonymous caller using the Jesse Hall outdoor phone at 2:02 a.m. Sunday. The caller told Campus Security that Pink was selling marijuana from his room, 1053 Jesse.

UM Police Officers Joe Bailey and Chuck Gatewood found a bong on Pink's desk and four marijuana plants growing in a single pot on top of his computer's printer, according to court records. They also found a small amount of marijuana belonging to Pink, four pipes, another bong, a power air pump for a bong, a 21-inch blow tube, an electronic scale and a box of

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Campus Drive vs. Prescott House Some want parking, others preservation

Bjorn van der Voo
of the Kaimin

To modernize or to preserve — that was the controversy surrounding the fate of UM's historic Prescott House Wednesday.

About 40 people came to comment on UM's plan to send Campus Drive cruising behind the house, with opponents and proponents of the

plan showing up in equal numbers at the noon forum.

Members of the Campus Development Committee, which recently approved the \$1.8 million project, came en masse to support their plan, arguing it creates about 120 desperately needed parking spots, improves safety in the area and makes use of the house's grounds, which now

See "Prescott House" page 8

Opinion

Rodeo's not sporting, only cruel and stupid

It's glamorized in movies and popularized by country western singers. But of all the activities which like to call themselves sport, the more brutal events of rodeo are by far the most senseless, cruel and stupid.

A boxer can defend himself and enters the ring of his own volition. Football and hockey players wear pads and again, are there by choice. A calf in a rodeo — it's forced to run at full speed until a rope is thrown around its neck. Then, it's jerked to a sudden stop, wrestled to the ground and hogtied. Let the spring rodeo season begin.

Kaimin editorial

Yes, the argument exists that the calf is better off suffering its daily indignities in a rodeo than sizzling on somebody's barbecue. However, the stupid animal argument cuts both ways. Is that then the challenge of this sport? Triumphant over a stupid animal?

It is an undeniable fact that the sport, if you can call it such, treats animals cruelly and harshly. In the bull-riding competition, a 1,500 pound animal is jammed into a tiny pen, has a cord cinched tight around its groin, is poked, slapped and hit until it's enraged, and then is let out to the whoops and hollers of those in the bleachers. It's also not unheard of to give the bull a "hot shot," a shot of electricity.

A few years ago, a popular television news show played a tape of a bull that had severely broken its leg, trying to stand on its three good legs, screaming in pain the entire time. The scene went on for two hours before the animal was finally put out of its misery. Because of this incident and incidents like it, rodeo has been banned in various spots throughout the country.

Also, because of the constant torture these animals endure, it makes it very difficult to have any sympathy for those who are injured, even killed while participating in rodeo.

Really, what could be more stupid than climbing on the back of an animal that weighs close to two tons and is mean by nature, especially when you take the time to consider that it has been poked repeatedly with an stick and has a strap tied tight around its testicles.

Would we have any sympathy for someone who walks up to a tiger, kicks it in the ass and then gets eaten? How about someone who throws rocks at pit bull and gets the stuffing chewed out of him?

If we find it hard to reach our hearts out to these people, then why should we care when someone is gored by a bull which has been deliberately goaded to near insanity?

Maybe when one of these cowboys is forced to run at full speed, then is jerked to a sudden stop by a rope around his neck, or has a strap cinched tight around his groin, will those who engage in or enjoy this activity realize how senseless and stupid it really is.

Corey Taule

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Deficit requires amendment

The Balanced Budget Amendment is not a great idea, but it is the best thing we have right now. Congress is simply never going to have the discipline to do the right thing and quit running up the federal debt.

Republicans say they want to amend the U.S. Constitution so that the federal government would not run budget deficits. They have also added language that keeps the courts from making final decisions about taxes or spending cuts.

But some Democrats still are not satisfied. It takes 67 votes to send a Constitutional Amendment to the states for ratification, so the GOP needs 15 Democrats. Fourteen have already committed, including Montana's Max Baucus. The House already passed the amendment.

Five Senate Democrats claim to be undecided. All but one however, voted for a balanced budget amendment last year. Some, like California's Dianne Feinstein, even used

Column by



Cody Witt

their stance on the issue in their last campaigns.

Most are crying about fears that such an amendment would cut Social Security to justify a "no" vote. But the measure they voted on last year didn't have special protection for Social Security either. It is just a convenient smokescreen.

Social Security needs to be phased out anyway. Yet too many in Congress are scared speechless of the gray-haired lobby.

Some other Democrats say Congress should just have the courage to balance the budget on its own. While that is a legitimate argument, it flies in the face of reality. Congress has been too spineless to balance the budget for decades. Why would they start now?

There is one legitimate problem with the amendment, but none of the Democrats are talking about it. Congress could just find a way to get around it like they did with the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit-cutting law. It set a

limit on how much in-the-red spending Congress is allowed to approve. They just upped that limit. Or they could just call deficit programs "off-budget" and not count them.

Congress is to blame for overspending. Budget deficits are not Ronald Reagan's or even Clinton's fault. Presidents don't spend much money, Congress does. You can't even blame it solely on one party. All politicians spend tax dollars to get re-elected. If we had term limits we might not need an amendment. But since term limits aren't looking too rosy, we need to try something else. The Balanced Budget Amendment is the next best hope.

Some Democrats come right out and say they want the luxury to spend whatever they want. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin told the Senate last month the amendment was bad because it was a "fiscal straightjacket." That is the best thing about it. Congress needs a straightjacket to keep their hands from voting to spend more than they have.

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Anti-porn bill bestows perilous power

Interestingly, the people who claim that magazines and videotapes cause crime are often the first to object when gun-control advocates argue that hand guns

should be banned for the same reason. Those who see grave constitutional error in banning a Saturday Night Special see no contradiction in banning Hustler.

But I do not want to discuss gun control. I want to talk about the danger of giving petty government officials the power to punish us for what we write, paint or publish.

Montana has had some experience with censorship laws. Lincoln, Flathead and Ravalli Counties enacted censorship ordinances. Missoula County, Helena and Great Falls rejected them. Billings passed an ordinance that bans nude performances in establishments that serve alcohol, but turned down laws similar to House Bill 83, which is now before the state Senate.

Yet the same group whose rallying cry is "unfunded mandates" sees no problem in imposing this unfunded mandate on localities that have rejected it in the past.

Contradictions and

hypocrisy aside, censorship laws, HB 83 included, are insidious. Intended to ban the worst X-rated videos and publications, they ban the

least. Intended to punish organized crime, they are used to prosecute rap groups (2 Live Crew), museum directors (for Cincinnati's Contemporary Arts Museum's Mapplethorpe exhibit) and convenience store owners (Libby's own Save-Rite gas stations).

In Boise they banned the performance of Broadway's longest-running musical, Oh Calcutta!, and, in Billings, they cowed Alberta Bair Theater officials into halting live sales during Oh Calcutta!'s intermissions.

Champions of censorship point out that 44 states enacted similar laws. Two weeks ago PBS's Frontline reported that Americans had rented or purchased 100 million X-rated videotapes in 1994. One must conclude that these laws are either ineffective or unenforced. It is that, or Montana, as one of the remaining six, is a major producer of porn films. Perhaps the city of Baker lured an X-rated film industry to replace its proposed haz-

ardous waste dump.

HB 83 allows petty officials to prosecute us for our creative or commercial activity. HB 83's supporters assure us that if these works have serious artistic, literary, scientific or political value, no jury will convict us. If we are convicted, no appellate court would let the verdict stand.

While we wait for this promised event, what do we tell our children when they ask us why their friends can't play with them anymore?

What do we tell our families as we spend our savings to defend ourselves in a criminal trial?

This is no empty threat, as owners of Libby gas stations or managers of Billings theaters can tell you. All it takes is one prosecutor with political ambitions or a lack of backbone to present us with the real threat of five years in prison. HB 83 is about giving power to the government that we previously denied to it. And it comes from those who ran for office to get the government off our backs.

Jeffrey Renz is Assistant Professor of Law and former legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Montana

Column by

Jeffrey Renz

Correction

The story in Wednesday's Kaimin, "Ski season worst in 12 years," identified Bruce Doering as director of the Snowbowl ski area. Brad Morris is Snowbowl's director.

Persistent conservatives undermine self-interest

What is the connection between recent fraternity rapes on the University of Montana campus, the firing of Surgeon General Jocelyn Elders and the attempt by a Republican Congress to gag the Public Broadcasting Service? The answer, apart from the fact that all three made me angry, lies in the persistence and even increase of folks holding conservative, neo-Victorian values.

Newt Gingrich is a

Victorian at heart. He'd like to see all of the improvements to privacy and civil rights issues gained during the sixties and seventies disappear. Our hard-won ability to talk freely and openly about moral issues is what is really at stake. For instance, conservatives think that it is shameful that Ms. Elders so much as mentioned the word masturba-

tion while in the employ of the federal government. Heaven knows what may have ensued had she been even more forceful a female personality. God forbid!

Perhaps we might have been forced into a discussion of other, more serious taboo subjects and who knows where that would lead. Sodom and Gomorrah!

In contrast, progressive campus officials and student leaders use open debate about rape and other moral issues to help prevent their occurrence. KUPM is great ally in this work. With the violence and lack of responsibility endemic in the commercial media, our Public Broadcasting network offers the only real mass media available to deal with real issues such as these. It may soon be gone or emasculated. And the Victorian tide moves on.

The neo-Victorian conservatives are the victims of their own limited intelligence, particularly the ability to listen

and process information. Someone smarter than most once told me, although I forget who, that conservative politics deal only with first-order causes and effects, particularly those things that directly affect the welfare of the self. This is me-first politics at its worse. Early-day progressives learned to deal with second-order causes and effects and the feedback between systems. Modern progressives, helped by the opening of public debate during the "swinging sixties and seventies" that Newt love to hate, are learning to deal with third and fourth-order causes and effects, but only so long as we are permitted to educate ourselves and each other and work a better society. The neo-Victorian moralists would prefer to return us to the halcyon days of small town hypocrisy, where men appear to be pillars of the community by day and are busy by night frequenting prostitutes, running the vice rackets and trying to get their hands on public dollars.

In particular on our campus, neo-Victorian students aim to stifle on moral issues, while conservative institutions such as the fraternity system stack the student senate, try to get their hands on student fee dollars, and fail to police the night-time degradation of their

own members. How much longer are the more thoughtless mass of students, caught in the middle, going to put up with this? Progressive students are frequently openly detested and discriminated against by conservative sub-culture groups such as our campus cowboys (and cowgirls!) and fraternity and sorority groups. But what, I wonder, is the relative incidence of crimes of hate and violence such as date rape among the sub-culture of progressive student?

Yes, modern progressives care sufficiently to work for a better world, and by doing so get in your face and perhaps up your nose. But what kind of world do you want to live in? Even more to the point, what kind of male student is your daughter going to be safe with? Progressives on campus work against violence, date rape, alcohol abuse, and yes, even drug abuse. In return, we have to see our intelligent and hard-working efforts scorned and attacked by know-nothing neo-Victorians who are barely capable perceiving self-interest in today's complex world, let alone enlightened self-interest.

-Mick Womersley is a graduate student in resource conservation.

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Praises follow Breezley's award

Betsy Ehlinger
for the Kaimin

When Steve Breezley won the ASUM Student Service Award at UM's Charter Day celebration in February, he said it was an unpleasant experience for him because he had to put on a tie.

Breezley, who serves as co-chair of the Montana Public Interest Research Group and is ASUM's assistant director for Student Action, said that aside from that, receiving the award was a great honor and a surprise.

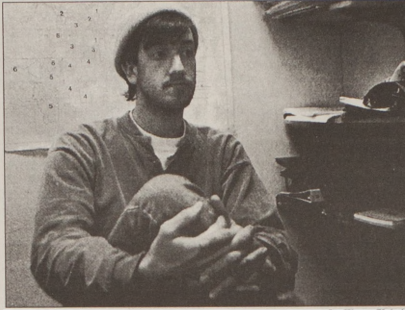
"I was just doing the things I thought were important. I wasn't concerned with getting awards," Breezley said.

The issues that Breezley thought were important have been far-reaching for UM students. He has been opposed to the athletic fee as well as trying to get the family-definition laws changed.

Breezley and three friends got together last year and started to adamantly oppose a \$30-per-semester athletic fee that is now tacked onto students' bills. He knew students were angry over the process in which the fee was enacted. Students voted the fee down, but it was still implemented over the summer. "We didn't oppose the athletic department, we just wanted to let the university system know that students were concerned about their education and not just about athletics," he said.

Breezley said they faced opposition at every turn, especially from UM President George Dennison and the state Board of Regents. Breezley offered several compromises including one in which students were able to choose where their fees go — either to athletics or the library. However, these suggestions were turned down by both Dennison and the regents.

Dennison said Breezley is a deserving recipient of the stu-



Joe Weston/Kaimin

STEVE BREEZLEY, ASUM's assistant director for Student Action, received ASUM's Student Service Award last week.

dent service award. He has principles and concerns that were brought up nicely and in a respectful manner, Dennison said. Even though they did not agree on certain issues, Dennison believes Breezley does a good job and is deserving of the award.

Breezley said he supports Dennison's opposition to a proposed library fee of \$2 per credit for undergraduate students and \$3 per credit for graduate students. "I believe that the library should be funded by the state. Students should have the resources that they need paid for — it is the responsibility of the state," Breezley said.

Even though the athletic fee still stands today, Breezley feels like he accomplished his goal. "The regents took to heart student comments about how they went about implementing the fee," Breezley said. Students now have to be present when a fee increase vote takes place.

"They are more aware of students' concerns and students' opinions," Breezley said.

As a member of MontPIRG and ASUM, Breezley has also played a part in trying to change the family-definition ordinance.

Currently, the ordinance prohibits more than two unrelated people from living together.

Last fall, he organized a forum at UM to offer solutions and compromises to the housing law. Breezley also introduced House Bill 361, which would make it illegal for anyone to be denied access to housing based on relationships. "That bill has unfortunately been tabled," Breezley said. But Breezley said the Montana Human Rights Commission is now involved in helping to relax the law and so he is hopeful something will get done soon.

ASUM President Jennifer Panasuk, who nominated Breezley for the service award, said he fights for things he believes in. "He is a strong voice for the student body," she said. Panasuk first heard about his work with MontPIRG and was impressed with his opposition to the athletic fee. "He is a student serving other students," she said.

As for future plans, Breezley will be graduating this spring with a degree in geology. "I hope to go down to Jackson, brew beer and ski," he said. "I'm an aspiring brewmaster."

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Diversions

Pine Street Tavern won't be no cavern

Virginia Jones
of the Kaimin

If you've been anywhere near downtown in the last six months you know that things have changed. Favorite haunts like the Silver Dollar and Al and Vics' no longer provide relief from crowded bars like Charlie B's and the Iron Horse. Now they're just as bad. If there was just one more bar...

The Pine Street Tavern, formerly Connie's (stabblings anyone?), is getting ready to open its doors soon. Really. "We've been saying three weeks for the last three months," says Randi Erickson,

a Pine Street Tavern representative. "We're hoping maybe St. Patrick's Day."

The tavern is in its final stages of construction, a process that has been long and tedious. "I think about the first day that we walked in here and it is just so radically different that I can hardly believe my eyes," Erickson says.

For starters there's a new stage and the tavern is already looking at all types of out-of-town bands as well as locals.

"We definitely don't want to pigeonhole ourselves," says Erickson. She expects

"Rest assured this is not an espresso bar. This is not a teen center."

—Randi Erickson
Pine Street Tavern rep

musical styles to range from alternative to ska to folk to bluegrass. "Whoever's good," she says.

So what can drinking aficionados expect? "Really great beer specials," says

Erickson. Yeah, well what kind of beer? "We'll have a lot of microbrews, especially from around Montana," says Erickson.

The tavern will also serve imports as well as wine and liquor. "This is a full-service drinking emporium," Erickson

says. "Rest assured this is not an espresso bar. This is not a teen center."

It's no big stretch to say that Connie's had it's problems — "air quality" and, shall we say, "gross" bathrooms were two of the biggest. But Erickson says the new ventilation system is easily one of the best in town. "We put a high priority on being able to breathe," she says with a laugh. "And the bathrooms are bigger and they're clean."

We can also expect pool tables, dart boards, board games, and if we're really lucky, an Eval Knieval pinball machine. "It's gonna be a really excellent place for people to hang out in Missoula," says Erickson.

'Witness the spectacle' of Schlong

Thomas Nybo
of the Kaimin

Picture three male musicians in dresses cramming Fleetwood Mac's "Rumors" album into a fifteen-minute melange of distortion and you've captured the essence of the punk band Schlong.

The San Francisco trio will be bringing their own twisted version of punk to Jay's Upstairs Friday, March 3 with fellow Bay City rockers Screw 32 and local mainstay The Banned.

The show's promoter, UM student Karl Stetson, says part of Schlong's appeal lies in the unpredictability they bring to the stage.

"Expect the unexpected," he says, "and expect a lot of hot,

sweaty bodies."

One UM student describes Schlong as the silliest band on the planet, which makes sense when one examines the bands repertoire. The Schlong canon includes a rock-a-billy version of Pink Floyd's "Comfortably Numb" and the band's last album "Punk Side Story," a remake of the West Side Story soundtrack.

Stetson warns students that to make phallic associations with the band is a fallacy.

"There's really nothing macho about them at all," Stetson says. "They are definitely the nicest band I've ever dealt with."

But if they're not macho, what are they?

"You can't describe Schlong, you have to witness the specta-

Show Info

Schlong will play at Jay's Upstairs Friday, March 3 with musical guests **Screw 32** and **The Banned**. The show costs \$4 and is for 18 and older only. The show begins at 9 p.m.

cle," Stetson says.

The 18-and-over show costs \$4 and starts at 9:00 p.m.



THE SAN FRANCISCO treat, Schlong

Arts Calendar

•The University Center Gallery kicks off spring semester with "Shields," an exhibit of ceramic and mixed media works by artist Ellen Ornitz. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri. from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

•An exhibition of UM undergraduate and graduate art students will be on display at the Gallery of Visual Arts March 2-9. Missoula artist George Gogas is the juror for the exhibition. A public reception is scheduled for Friday, March 3 from 5-8 p.m. Gogas will give a brief juror's talk and present the awards at 5:30 p.m.

•The UM Department of Music will present the UM Jazz

Band Winter Concert under the direction of Lance Boyd on Friday, March 3 at 8 p.m. in the University Theatre. Admission is \$2 and tickets are available at the door. For more information call 243-6880.

•ASUM Programming presents it's Buck-A-Throw Picture Show featuring "El Mariachi" and "Like Water For Chocolate." The flicks are in the Urey Lecture Hall on Sunday, March 5 at 7 p.m. It's \$2 or \$1 if you make your own coupon.

•The UM Department of Music will present the University Orchestra under the direction of Joseph Henry on Tues., March 7 at 8 p.m. in the

Music Recital Hall. Works by Bach, Hanson, and Copland will be featured. Professors Margaret Baldrige, violin, and Roger McDonald, oboe, will be featured in Back's "Double Concerto for Oboe and Violin." Admission is free.

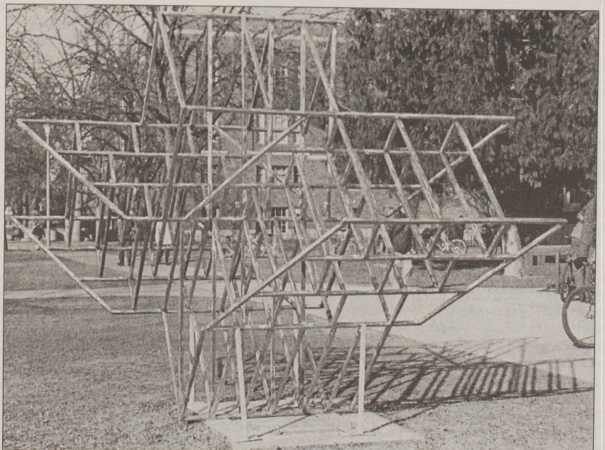
•Tickets are available at all Tic-It-E-Z outlets for C.J. Chenier and his Red Hot Louisiana Band. UC Programming presents the show in the UC Ballroom on March 20 at 8 p.m.

•Showing at the Paxson

Gallery through April 15 is a recent acquisition to the UM Museum of Fine Arts collection: Works by Josephine Hale. A public reception is scheduled for March 11, 3-4 p.m. The gallery is located in the PAR-TV building.

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IN FRONT of the Social Science building the cold winter sun put a glimmering shine on the steel echerease sculpture by David C. Hayes. The sculpture is part of a student art show that runs March 2-9 at the Gallery of Visual Arts.

Sports

Lady Griz play out season

Nikki Judovsky
of the Kaimin

With the Big Sky title already wrapped up, the game against Eastern Washington Thursday night means much more to the Eagles than it does to the Lady Griz.

Eastern Washington, currently in fourth place in the Big Sky, needs only one victory in their next two games or a Weber State loss to secure a spot in the Big Sky Conference Tournament, which will be held in Dahlberg Arena March 9 and 11, or March 10-11, depending on the results of the Men's Big Sky regular season.

Only one Big Sky team (Boise State) has been able to beat Montana this season, so the task for EWU head coach

Heidi VanDerveer will be a tough one. But regardless of the records, VanDerveer is optimistic.

"Anything's possible. That's why you play," VanDerveer said. "If (the outcome) was already pre-determined, it wouldn't be worth playing."

And although Montana has much less riding on this game, UM head coach Robin Selvig still stressed the importance of winning.

"We want to win going into the tournament," Selvig said. "In case you don't win the Big Sky tournament, you still want to have a good record to increase your chances of getting an at-large berth to the NCAA tournament. Every game's important in that aspect."

To participate in the NCAA Division I women's tourna-

ment, a team must either win their conference or try for an at-large berth, in which teams plead their case, such as their record or their strength of schedule, for participating in the 64-team tournament. Those teams are then chosen by an NCAA committee.

But if Montana is going to beat EWU, Thursday, and Idaho, Saturday, in Moscow, Idaho, they may have to do it without the services of senior forward-guard Kristy Langton. She is still suffering from a sore back and Selvig said he may decide to rest her so she'll be ready for the Big Sky Tournament.

An advantage for EWU? Maybe not.

"Montana is very good regardless of who they play on their team," VanDerveer said.



Rebecca Huntington/Kaimin

LADY GRIZ Jodi Hinrichs (left) and Sherri Brooks keep a close eye on Boise State's Michelle Schultz as she attempts to keep the ball in play during Saturday night's game in the Dahlberg Arena.

"The people that play in that position, Langton's supporting cast, aren't going to miss a beat."

If Langton does sit this

weekend out, Selvig said freshman guard Skylar Sisco will start in her position and sophomore Gretta Koss will move to Langton's spot.

Salary caps: are they good or bad for pro sports?

"Do I hear \$13 million, who'll give me \$13 million? Going once, going twice, sold to the gentleman who owns the New York Yankees for \$12 million dollars." Without a salary cap in professional sports, players would essentially be reduced to mercenary athletes, lending their services to the highest bidder. To borrow an old cliché, the rich would get richer, and the poor would get poorer. Without getting bogged down in the semantics of collective bargaining, restricted free agency, and labor unions I will illustrate the necessity of a salary cap in all professional sports.

A salary cap is basically a ceiling or limit on what each team can spend on its payroll.

Football and basketball currently operate under a salary cap. Baseball players are on strike because they want a free market system and won't accept a proposal to implement a cap.

The most compelling argument for a cap is maintaining parity. Without a cap it would be possible, and probably imminent, that an owner could buy the best team in baseball. Big market teams like the New York Yankees, who generate considerably higher revenues from merchandising and local television contracts than small market teams do, should not be able to acquire all the best players simply because they have more money to offer. A

Good

salary cap enables smaller market teams, without the wealth of resources larger market teams possess, to turn on an even playing field in a monetary sense.

Another argument for the cap is that without it, spending will escalate into the absurd. Like a Picasso painting at an auction, star athletes will be worth

whatever an owner is willing to pay, and the price could be astronomical. If you think the salaries of Anfernee Hardaway and Glenn Robinson are high now, imagine what they might be without the NBA's salary cap.

Proponents of the cap will argue that there is no cap on what the owners make, so why

should there be a limit as to what the players make.

Unfortunately, as many of us who have jobs know, it's the owners who take the risk of owning a company, and therefore it's the owners who reap the most rewards. It'd be willing to bet the discrepancy between owners of big companies like McDonalds and IBM and their employees is much greater than that of owners of professional franchises and their employees. Economics and sports are like oil and water, but unfortunately they have to mix.

Supporters of the cap could also point to Deion Sanders in San Francisco as proof that there are many ways to finagle around the cap. With signing

bonuses, incentives, and back-loading contracts they were able to sign him to a one year deal for roughly a \$1 million dollar base salary, but he made much more money that didn't count against the cap. At least the cap made them work to sign him, without the cap they would have simply paid him whatever he wanted, because they knew he would be worth it in the long run.

When Donald Trump buys a baseball team, pays the 24 best players in the world more than anyone else will, and monopolizes the sport, then maybe everyone will agree, a salary cap is a necessity in sports.

-Eric Plummer
Kaimin Sports Columnist

One needs to look no further than this year's Super Bowl to gage how ineffective salary caps are. Unfazed by the spending limit, the San Francisco 49ers brought in hired guns Deion Sanders, Ricky Jackson, Tim Harris, Ken Norton Jr. and Gary Plummer to ensure a fifth Super Bowl victory.

How, you say, could they do this under a cap? Well, the cap doesn't cover signing bonuses or incentives. It also doesn't prevent other players on the team, like Jerry Rice, from moving payment of the bulk of their salaries from the front to the back of their contracts, freeing up money for the newcomers.

In basketball, the enormous contracts given to players like Anfernee Hardaway, Larry Johnson and Derrick Coleman indicate that the cap is a failure in the NBA as well. And no, it wasn't the cap that saved the NBA from the oblivion it was heading into in the early 1980s, it was the marketability of players like Larry Bird, Magic Johnson and Julius Erving.

The salary caps we see in football and basketball have too many loopholes and are way too easy to circumvent, to be effective. What's most ironic is that

the owners, who we often hear scream long and loud about how necessary the cap is, are the ones in the forefront when coming up with clever ways to sign players above and beyond the cap's limits.

Instead of chastising the baseball union for not accepting the owner's mandates, we should applaud them for turning their backs on a hypocritical system. There is no limit on what the owners can make, so why should the players agree to limit their salaries? Also, we need to realize that no one forced the owners to pay players these obscene amounts of money. They did it all on their own. And now, because owners have shown an alarming lack of discretion for the past 20 years, they expect the players to take pay cuts when they are not willing to themselves.

Of course it's hard to take any group seriously, when all they have done in the past few years is fire the one person who could keep them somewhat in check (Commissioner Fay Vincent) and hire one of their own (Milwaukee Brewers' owner Bud Selig) to replace him.

Sports owners already are in control of the most blatant monopoly in the country today.

They can argue all they want about the risk of owning a franchise, but where's the risk when the resale value of a professional franchise is usually well above 100 percent. Salary caps don't serve the game and they don't serve the player. No salary cap ever lowered anybody's ticket prices and no cap has ever stopped the rich teams from becoming richer.

Somehow, while paying Charles Barkley, Kevin Johnson and Dan Majerle, the Phoenix Suns still managed to sign Danny Manning and Waymon Tisdale.

No, there are other rational ways to control spending and bring the games back to the people. Revenue sharing and pay based on merit, not expectations is a good place to start.

However, don't cross your fingers. The baseball strike will not be resolved until the salary cap/luxury tax (whatever you call it, it works out to the same thing) is resolved and football and basketball are heading toward serious labor problems because of the caps in their leagues.

-Corey Taule
Kaimin Sports Editor



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'Chinook' brings warm wind and change to Rockies

Siok Hui Leong
of the Kaimin

Changes in the western region such as population influx and how the people deal with it will be the main topic addressed by an acclaimed Canadian writer at UM Thursday.

Rudy Wiebe, of southern Alberta, will speak on "Learning the Language of the Chinook" at 7:30 p.m. in the Urey Lecture Hall, with an introduction by Missoula author James Welch. "Chinook" in the title refers to the warm, dry wind that

descends from the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains, causing a rapid rise in temperature. Wiebe uses that term as a metaphor for the kind of changes the western regions are experiencing such as population growth, finding a different economic base and the people staying in place and dealing with the rapid changes.

Wiebe will also lead an informal discussion on issues of regionalism and the comparisons between Canada and the Rocky Mountains states. The "regional conversation" will be

held at 1 p.m. in LA 259 on the same day.

Wiebe is being brought to Missoula by UM's Center for the Rocky Mountain West, as part of the center's aim to foster greater knowledge and understanding of the northern-west region among Montanans.

Wiebe's visit will give Montanans the opportunity to get to know him and his work, said Bill Farr, director of Center for the Rocky Mountain West.

"Here's this towering figure just across the border, and we

don't know him," Farr said. "For someone who is this good, and so close, to be basically unknown here is really amazing. I hope we can correct that."

Wiebe's novels "The Temptations of Big Bear," 1973, and "A Discovery of Strangers," 1994, each won the Governor General's Award, an award that is the Canadian equivalent of the Pulitzer, Farr said. Other honors that he received include the Alberta's Best Non-fiction Book Award in 1989.

Wiebe has published 17 books, including historical nov-

Lecture info

Rudy Wiebe will speak on "Learning the Language of the Chinook" in the Urey Lecture Hall Thursday March 2 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

els and essay and short story collections. Many of Wiebe's books reflect Native American themes and his background as a Mennonite, Farr added.

UM Tech strives to update heavy-equipment program

Jennifer Tipton
of the Kaimin

Unused military equipment and carry-over money from last year will boost the heavy-equipment program at the College of Technology, UM Tech's money manager said Wednesday.

Jim Taylor, assistant to Vice President Jim Todd, said some carry-over money from last year will go toward major maintenance and renovation of the equipment.

"I'm quite confident we'll keep the pro-

gram alive," Taylor said.

Members of the College of Technology Affairs committee said they fear for the only heavy-equipment operations program in Montana because of its dated machinery. One student dropped out of the program this year because he wasn't happy with the equipment, said CTA Chairman John Zimmerling.

An average-sized scraper costs about \$450,000, said Heavy Equipment Operations head professor Joe Knotek. Since keeping equipment new is out of the school's financial reach, the program

seeks donations from local businesses. Another avenue is getting excess equipment from military bases, he said.

The school recently picked up a scraper from a military base in Mississippi. Wilma Spence, Todd's administrative officer, is also the university's federal excess property administrator. She managed to pick up the scraper for free. UM will pay \$6,222 for transporting the scraper, Spence said.

Spence, Knotek and Frank Maus, forest director of the Lubrecht Experimental Forest, will leave for the South the sec-

ond week of March to find equipment on the military bases.

The equipment will be shared between the College of Technology and the forest, Spence said.

The two-semester Heavy Equipment Operation program teaches students to machines like as graders, excavators, crawler-tractors and trucks. Many of these students come out the program and are able to get jobs locally making \$12 to \$13 per hour, Knotek said. In bigger cities, students can make \$22 to \$25 an hour, he said.

Justice Court for a preliminary hearing on March 23 at 4 p.m.

If convicted, Pink could face up to life in prison and fines of up to \$151,000.

Weglage faces up to life in prison and fines of up to \$50,500 if convicted on both counts.

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Drugs:

Glad plastic sandwich bags. In one of Weglages's drawers, officers found a 4-inch pipe that Weglage said belonged to one of

his friends.

Pink is in the Missoula County Jail under a \$10,000 bond. Prosecutor Robert Zimmermann suggested Pink's bond be an out-of-state student on academic probation who

would have no reason to stay in town.

Pink asked the judge if his bond could be lowered, saying, "I have to go to school tomorrow."

Odlin endorsed the \$10,000 bond because the charges were

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Prescott house:

lie vacant.

Opponents argued that the Prescott House, which is listed in both the National Register of Historic Places and the UM Historic District, would lose its historical value if it is separated from the natural slope of Mount Sentinel.

"Cutting a road into the hillside really makes a strong statement on how you regard the mountain in particular," said Jennie Meinershagen, a local landscape architect. "Just think about it — it says more than you think it does."

Others chided the administration for UM's last-minute public notice of the midday forum, and equated it with recent administrative decisions like UM's controversial sale of Fort Missoula.

"Couldn't you have picked a time more convenient for the public?" former City Councilman Fred Rice asked of UM Vice President James Todd. Todd said the noon meeting was convenient for the public, with notices going out last Friday.

"It wasn't in the paper until Monday," Rice said.

Todd pointed out that UM doesn't need to hear from the community to go through with the project, but it listens anyway.

He said the plan awaits legislative approval for a gift of services from Montana multimillionaire Dennis Washington, as well as a non-binding reply from the State Historical Preservation Board and approval from the Board of Regents.



Seanna O'Sullivan/Kaimin

PROPOSERS OF straightening out Campus Drive where it curves around the historic Prescott House argue that the rerouting will create 120 new parking spots.

Timber CEO urges looser endangered species law

Ray Stout
of the Kaimin

The federal Endangered Species Act should restrict private landowners less and allow for easier land exchanges with the federal government, says the head of the largest industrial forestland owner in Montana.

But Rick Holley, president of Seattle-based Plum Creek Timber Co., said his firm doesn't want to see the act destroyed, as Congress is considering.

However, as it stands now, the act is "a little too black and white," said Holley, whose company owns 1.5 mil-

lion timberland acres in Montana in addition to land in Washington and Idaho.

In the Cascades, for example, landowners — before they may harvest timber — strictly must preserve an "owl circle" of several thousand acres around every northern spotted owl nest, discouraging them from looking for more owls, Holley said.

The objection is one of several Holley said he was sending to U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt with recommendations on how to revise the act.

Holley would also like the government to be more flexible in exchanging timber-

suitable land for wildlife habitat. Over the last 30 years, he said, perhaps 20 to 30 Plum Creek swaps have averaged eight years from start to finish.

"It takes so long, (private owners) just don't do them," Holley said.

In addition, site-by-site protection measures would be better than blanket rules such as leaving 300-foot zones of trees on each side of all endangered-fish-bearing streams, he said.

Access to private land intermingled with government property is another problem with the act, Holley said. Landowners need to use their parcels surrounded by

federal land enjoined from timber-cutting.

Lawmakers also need to consider more what it costs to save endangered species and the number to be saved. "I think we need to make sense of how many owls and endangered species we should preserve," he said.

When the act comes up for reauthorization, "I frankly think Congress is going to take a fairly moderate view, which I hope they do," Holley said.

The company is awaiting the Supreme Court's decision in a case that will determine whether habitat modification — such as timber-cutting — constitutes a "taking," or

harming, of an endangered species. Holley said he expects a decision this summer.

Even if the act were to be gutted, he said, "I don't think we'd go forth in any way differently." He said Plum Creek has developed an owl-habitat conservation plan and is working on a grizzly bear conservation agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "I think we'd probably continue those processes" without changing timber-harvest operations, he said.

"Even if they just gutted (the act) we'd still do those plans because we think they're in everyone's long-term best interest."

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